

REMARKS**I. Examiner Interview Summary**

Examiner Corrielus is thanked for the courtesies extended to the Applicant's attorney during telephone interviews on October 6, 2005 and October 24, 2005. During these interviews, the Applicant's attorney maintained that the rejections of claims 1, 11, 20, 35 and 46 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over U.S. Pat. No. 6,505,214, issued to Sherman et al. ("Sherman") in view of U.S. Pat. No. 5,822,526, issued to Waskiewicz ("Waskiewicz"), and further in view of U.S. Pat. No. 6,453,353, issued to Win et al. ("Win") were improper for at least the reasons set forth in the Applicant's Appeal Brief. Examiner Corrielus suggested that the claims be amended as set forth in this amendment, and that the claims, as amended, would overcome the prior art of record. The Applicant's Attorney maintained that such amendments were not necessary, but would amend the claims as requested in order to expedite prosecution.

These amendments do not introduce new matter. Support for these amendments may be found in the specification at least at page 7, line 20 - page 9, line 28.¹ These claims now clearly distinguish over the art of record, as the art of record does not show, teach or suggest the added limitations. In particular, the art of record, either alone or in combination, does not disclose, teach or suggest the automatic generating of e-mail messages to be sent to corresponding recipient accounts as claimed. Additionally, the art of record does not disclose, teach or suggest a recipient data set that includes only the data sets associated with the corresponding recipient account as claimed in claims 1, 11, and 20, or a data set corresponding to the one recipient as claimed in claims 35 and 46.

II. Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

For the reasons set forth above, the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) in the Office Action are now moot in light of the amendments submitted herein. This Reply is not to be construed as an admission that the claims prior to amendment were obvious over the art of record as set forth in the Office Action. The Applicant still maintains that the rejections as set forth in the Office Action are improper for at least the reasons set

¹ Support may also be found in provisional application ser. no. 60/223,766, filed August 8, 2000, at page 4, line 15 - page 6, line 9.

forth in the Applicant's Appeal Brief, and reserves the right to traverse the rejections in any continuation application. These amendments are submitted for the sole purpose of expediting the issuance of a Notice of Allowability and bringing prosecution of the instant case to a close.

III. Formal Drawings

The Applicant again requests that the formal drawings submitted on November 19, 2004 be acknowledge in a Notice of Allowability. The Advisory Action of December 22, 2004 and the Office Action of August 25, 2005 have failed to indicate acceptance of these drawings.

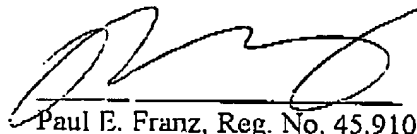
IV. Foreign Priority

The Office Action acknowledges a claim of foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119. This application does not claim priority to a foreign-filed application. The Applicant requests that a correction be acknowledge in a Notice of Allowability

V. Conclusion

The amendments to claims 1, 11, 20, 35 and 46 suggested by the Examiner are submitted for consideration. All independent claims are clearly distinguished from the prior art. The Applicant's attorney respectfully submits that the claims are presently in condition for allowance and that a Notice of Allowability be issued is due course. Acknowledgment of the formal drawings and correction of the claim to foreign priority is also requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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